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- 1. WE MET WITH FONOFF ACTING MBFR DIRECTOR GESCHER ON FEB. 28 TO CONVEY U.S. VIEWS ON THE FRG DATA AND DEFINITIONS PAPER CONTAINED REFTEL. GESCHER THANKED US FOR THE INFORMATION AND SAID THAT THE VIEWS WOULD BE CAREFULLY STUDIED.
- 2. IN MUSING OUT LOUD, GESCHER SAID THE FRG WOULD HAVE TO DECIDE WHAT TO DO NEXT WITH THE PAPER. THE OPTIONS WERE TO CONTINUE A BILATERAL DIALOGUE OR TO INTRODUCE THE PAPER INTO NATO. EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS IMPLICIT IN WASHINGTON'S GENERAL COMMENT (PARA 2 REFTEL) THAT WE ENVISAGED A FURTHER BILATERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.

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3. GESCHER AGREED WITH THIS POINT, BUT AT THE SAME TIME SAID THE FRG WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE "RESTLESSNESS" OF SOME ALLIES, THE ITALIANS IN PARTICULAR. THEREFORE THE FRG WOULD HAVE TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO A POSSIBLE MULTILATERALIZATION OF THE DIALOGUE ON DATA AND DEFINITIONS. GESCHER CONCLUDED BY NOTING THAT THE FRG WOULD GIVE FURTHER THOUGHT TO THE PROBLEM AND WOULD

CONSULT WITH US AGAIN, PARTICULARLY BEFORE INTRODUCING
THE PAPER INTO NATO SHOULD THE FRG DECIDE TO TAKE THIS
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